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Subject: Precinct Control Module

Dear John:

On behalf of Diebold Election Systems, Inc. (DESI), this is a request for review of the Precinct Control Module (PCM). This was the hardware device John Hice demonstrated during our meeting on December 22nd in your office.

The other program we demonstrated at the same meeting, EZ Roster, will not be used in any county for the March 2004 primary. We had mentioned testing the EZ Roster in three precincts in San Diego, but this is no longer the case.

Overview

There are two hardware versions of the PCM – the 100 and the 500 series – that are used to write Voter Access Cards for the Diebold Election Systems ballot stations.

The PCM software uses each jurisdiction's voter registration data to ensure the correct ballot and security information is written to the Voter Access Cards.

The PCM uses the same card writing program language used by other Diebold hardware systems, such as the handheld encoder and external card reader, for writing secure Voter Access Cards. As we mentioned during our meeting, the same software from those devices have now been incorporated into the PCM, both in the 100 and 500 series.

If you and your staff would like to review the PCM card writing program language, we ask you to provide guidance on how you would like to handle this process.

Training

As we previously discussed, Diebold Election Systems/DIMS employees will be training election officials on the use of these devices. They will be using the attached documents on the respective units.

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As always, I am available to answer any questions you or your staff might have. If you would like a further demonstration of the PCM, we would avail ourselves at your earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. Urosevich".

Robert J. Urosevich
President

CC: Dawn Melhaff

Enclosures